IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

GEERT MAERTENS LIEVEN STUYVER

Serial No.: 08/836,075

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For: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS

GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS

PROPHYLACTIC, THERAPEUTIC AND

DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS

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Examiner: M. Zeman

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 23, 1998

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including September 23, 1998 in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 23, 1998.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check including the \$475.00 small entity fee for a three-month extension of time is enclosed.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/INNS004KAM.

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